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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 5, 2001 and thus due for response on January 5, 2002, please consider the following remarks and amendments for purposes of allowance, or alternatively, to narrow the issues on appeal. Applicants concurrently file herewith a petition for a two (2) month extension of time to reply, to and including March 5, 2002

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 53-57, without prejudice.